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SUBJ: CIVAIR - GOG REQUEST FOR TRAINING IN ANTI-
HIJACKING TECHNIQUES

REF : ACCRA A-93

1. REQUEST REF AIRGRAM DISCUSSED WITH FEDERAL AVIATION
ADMINISTRATION WHICH HAS PROVIDED FOLLOWING:

THREE MONTH TRAINING PERIOD SUGGESTED COULD NOT
USEFULLY BE SPENT ON ANTI-HIJACKING TECHNIQUES. FAA
CONSIDERS FOLLOWING TWO WEEK PROGRAM WOULD BE
SATISFACTORY AND PRACTICABLE:

1ST WEEK - ATTEND THE AIRPORT SECURITY COURSE AT
THE FAA TRANSPORT SAFETY INSTITUTE OKLAHOMA
CITY (DATE FOR COURSE NOT NOW AVAILABLE
BUT OPENING IN APRIL 1974 IS EXPECTED)

2ND WEEK - FAA HEADQUARTERS AT WASHINGTON, D.C. FOR
VISITS WITH PERSONNEL IN THE SECURITY

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SERVICE; VISITS TO DULLES, FRIENDSHIP AND

NATIONAL AIRPORTS; VISIT WITH MARYLAND
STATE POLICE

DURING VISIT TO WASHINGTON AREA MR. QUARTEY WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE US SECURITY PROGRAM IN OPERATION AT THE VARIOUS AIRPORTS; DISCUSS SPECIFIC SECURITY MATTERS WITH FAA HEADQUARTERS STAFF; OBSERVE EXPLOSIVE SECURITY TECHNIQUES; OBSERVE USE OF DOGS IN SECURITY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT WITH MARYLAND STATE POLICE.

2. WHILE ANTI-HIJACKING PROGRAM OUTLINED ABOVE WOULD COVER ONLY TWO WEEKS, FAA SUGGESTS THAT, IF MR. QUARTEY WISHES, AN ADDITIONAL FOUR WEEKS PRACTICAL TRAINING CAN BE PROVIDED IN AIRPORT MAINTENANCE AND WITH FAA GENERAL AVIATION AND AIR CARRIER OPERATIONS STAFF. THIS SUGGESTION MADE IN VIEW OF FACT (REF AIRGRAM) MR. QUARTEY DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR AIRPORT MAINTENANCE AND AIR OPERATIONS IN ADDITION TO AIRPORT SECURITY.

3. FAA ESTIMATES COSTS OF AT LEAST 30 DOLLARS/DAY LIVING EXPENSES WHILE IN US; ABOUT 350 DOLLARS FOR TRAVEL WITHIN THE US IN CONNECTION WITH TWO WEEK PROGRAM; AND 120 DOLLARS FOR TUITION AT SECURITY COURSE, OKLAHOMA CITY. FAA CAN NOT ASSUME THESE COSTS. RUSH

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